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MEKARU TATSUBO

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 3248]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (S. 3248) for the relief of Mekaru Tatsubo, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to waive the racial barrier to admission into the United States in behalf of the minor half-Japanese step-child of a citizen of the United States. The child would be considered to be a nonquota immigrant which is the status normally enjoyed by the alien minor children of citizens of the United States.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill was born on May 6, 1951, and is the step-child of Corp. Charles T. Wright who was married to the child's mother on January 22, 1952. The mother is eligible to enter the United States under the provisions of Public Law 6 of the Eighty-second Congress.

Senator Robert A. Taft, the author of the bill, has submitted the following information in connection with the case:

UNITED STATES SENATE,
Washington, D. C., June 3, 1952.

Hon. PAT McCARRAN,
Chairman, Senate Committee on the Judiciary,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR McCARRAN: I am enclosing herewith certain information with reference to S. 3248, for the relief of Mekarú Tatsubo.

The subject of this bill is the stepchild of Cpl. Charles T. Wright, who is a citizen of the United States. Corporal Wright intends to adopt the child upon his return to the States.

I have been informed that Corporal Wright is due to return to the States in July, and I would appreciate expeditious action on this bill in order that Corporal Wright may bring his wife and stepchild to the United States when he returns.

Thanking you for your cooperation and with kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. TAFT.

HEADQUARTERS, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH
MILITARY POLICE SERVICE COMPANY,
APO 331, March 18, 1952.

Subject: Translated copy of certificate of birth

The following translated information is true and correct to the best of my ability:

Name of baby: Mekarú Tatsubo; sex: male.

Date of birth: May 6, 1951.

Place of birth: Ginowan-Son, Futema Village, 1-Ku 10-Han.

Weight: Three pounds, three ounces.

Permanent address: Goeku-Son Oden Yashiki No. 26.

Name of father: Smith.

Age of father: 25; Nationality: American.

Address of father: United States of America.

Name of mother: Mekarú Fumiko.

Address of mother: Futema, 1-Ku 10-Han.

Age of mother: 23; Occupation: Typist.

Rank of baby: First son.

Rank of witness: Midwife.

Name of witness: Tamashiro Yuriko.

Address of witness: Ginowan-Son, Futema, 2-Ku 8-Han.

Date of certification: January 23, 1952.

The above certificate was translated by

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Translator, Fortieth Military Police Service Battalion, APO 331

HEADQUARTERS, RYUKYUS COMMAND SPECIAL TROOPS,
EIGHT THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ARMY UNIT,
APO 331, April 9, 1952.

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, as official custodian of the records of Cpl. Charles T. Wright RA15262759, One Hundred Sixteenth Military Police Service Company, do certify that the annual income of subject enlisted man is as follows:

Base with longevity	\$1, 587. 60
Basic allowance for quarters	810. 00
Total	\$2, 397. 60

S. H. ARTHIN,
WOJG, USA, Assistant Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS RYUKYUS COMMAND,
APO 331, January 16, 1952.

Hon. ROBERT A. TAFT,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR TAFT: Your letter of January 7 regarding the application for marriage of Corp. Charles T. Wright, RA15262729, to an Okinawan girl was received in this headquarters January 14, 1952.

The application for marriage has been received in this headquarters and will be approved. Approval has been delayed in this matter due to an investigation into the procedure involving the adoption of the prospective bride's illegitimate child by Corporal Wright, who denies fatherhood of the child. My staff judge advocate has discussed this matter with Corporal Wright, who fully understands the situation involving delay in approval of his application; also, it has been explained to the prospective bride that there may be some delay in the child's entry into the United States pending appropriate legislative action.

If there are any further questions regarding this matter, I shall be most happy to furnish additional information.

Sincerely yours,

ROBT. S. BEIGHTLER,
Major General, United States Army, Commanding.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have this day witnessed the marriage of Charles T. Wright and Fumiko Mekaru performed in accordance with local law, as provided by article 775 of the Japanese Civil Code.

This letter is evidence of their legal marriage and may be used as such in connection with their request for a religious rite as provided for in paragraph 7 of circular No. 51, GHQ, FEC, dated September 24 1949.

Dated this 22d day of January 1952.

EARL P. HALL,
Lieutenant Colonel, AGC, Chief of Administration.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 3248) should be enacted.



